

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Maurice LAMPELL, et al.

Serial No. Unassigned

Group Art Unit: 2642

Confirmation No.

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Examiner: Quynh H. Nguyen

For: DETECTION OF CARRIER MIS-ROUTING IN TELEPHONE SYSTEMS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please ADD the following paragraph at Page 1, line 1, of the specification:

This is a continuation of copending application Serial No. 09/707,360 filed on November 7, 2000, the entire disclosure of which is incorporated into this application by reference.